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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I prefer to use a provider that isn't one of the big ones (AT&T, Comcast, ...) because I get a better deal and way, way better customer service. If proposed legislation pushed them out of the market, we'd all be worse off. Their competition with the big providers forces the big providers to better serve their customers.

Please do not enact regulations that will increase prices for all of us by forcing out the smaller competition. We homeschool and our internet connection is essential to the education of our children. We're using DSL bundled with our phone service and we're getting a better deal than any of the other big providers will match. Please don't let the big companies use your power to push their competition out of the marketplace.

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